GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Please type or print clearly when filling out this form.

ALL INFORMATION PUBLIC

All information provided, including names and addresses of the principals of the entity, will be made available on the Secretary of State's web site or upon request.

LEGAL AND ACCOUNTING IMPLICATIONS

There are important legal and accounting implications with respect to this entity's actions. Suitable legal and accounting advice should be secured before submission. The Secretary of State's office suggests that such advice be sought prior to filling out forms to be sure that you understand the terms and procedures.

FORM PROCESSING TIME

Please be advised that the Business Services Division of the Montana Secretary of State will process your business documents within 10 working days of receipt.

- During this period if it is determined that your document does not meet statutory requirements, a letter
 outlining the deficiencies will be returned to the original submitter. Business Services documents rejected and
 resubmitted for processing may be assessed a reprocessing fee at 50% of the initial filing fee.
- If the document is complete and correct, the document will be filed and a letter certifying the filing of the document will be returned to the original submitter.
- If you wish a "FILED STAMPED" copy of the document it must be formally requested.

EXPRESS HANDLING

- You may request 24 hour priority handling of your document by simply marking the "24 hour priority handling" box and include an additional \$20.00 with your handling fee.
- You may request 1 hour expedite handling of your document by marking the "1 hour expedite handling" box and include an *additional* \$100.00 with your filing fee.
- **Please note:** If your documents are returned for deficiencies and upon resubmittal you request either of the Express Services **you must also remit** a new priority (\$20.00) or expedite (\$100.00) handling fee.

SUBMISSION

Make checks payable to the Secretary of State. Upon completion, mail with ORIGINAL SIGNATURE to:

Secretary of State PO Box 202801 Helena, MT 59620-2801

If you have any questions regarding this form, please contact the Secretary of State, Business Services Division, at (406) 444-3665.

DO NOT STAPLE PAYMENT TO FILING FORM

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